

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is made in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 13, 2011, in which the Examiner indicated that the Abstract did not avoid phrases that could be implied. In view of the foregoing Amendments to the Specification, Applicant submits that the Abstract is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.72.

Applicant acknowledges and wishes to thank the Examiner for participating in an interview with Attorneys for Applicant on April 21, 2011, in which agreement was reached as to the allowability of claims 32 and 34, as well as withdrawn claim 35. Specifically, the Examiner indicated that claims 32 and 34, and withdrawn claim 35, would be allowed if rewritten into independent form. As is set forth above, Applicant has amended claims 32 and 34, and withdrawn claim 35, into independent form. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Requirement for Restriction/Election dated August 25, 2009, be withdrawn, and that claims 26-30 and 35 be rejoined. *See* M.P.E.P. § 821.04(a).

Applicant respectfully submits that the foregoing Amendments to the Claims place claims 20-35 in condition for allowance, and prompt entry to this effect is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing Amendments to the Claims, Attorneys for Applicant hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the \$220.00 for one (1) independent claim in excess of three to Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this Amendment and Response. If any additional fees are deemed necessary,

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Attorneys for Applicant hereby authorize the Commissioner to deduct such fees from Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

Respectfully submitted

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